

## Committee Meetings

### RUSSIAN MONEY LAUNDERING

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Held a hearing on Russian Money Laundering. Testimony was heard from Lawrence H. Summers, Secretary of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

### "CLEMENCY FOR THE FALN: A FLAWED DECISION?"

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing on "Clemency for the FALN: A Flawed Decision?" Testimony was heard from Representatives Fossella and Romero-Barceló; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Neil Gallagher, Assistant Director, National Security, FBI; Michael B. Cooksey, Assistant Director, Correctional Programs, Bureau of Prisons; and Jon Jennings, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Legislative Affairs; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—SURVEY AND MANAGE SPECIES ON THE NATIONAL FORESTS

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Survey and Manage Species on the National Forests. Testimony was heard from Jim Furnish, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

### NATIONAL MONUMENT NEPA COMPLIANCE ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 1487, National Monument NEPA Compliance Act, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources. The rule makes in order the Committee on Resources amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for purpose of amendment, which shall be open for amendment at any point. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hansen and Vento.

### INTERSTATE CLASS ACTION JURISDICTION ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 1875, Interstate Class Action Jurisdiction

Act of 1999, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be open for amendment by section. The rule provides for the consideration of pro forma amendments and those amendments pre-printed in the Congressional Record, which may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or his designee, and shall be considered as read. The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Conyers.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation approved for full Committee action the following: a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the European Council noise rule affecting hushkitted and re-engined aircraft; and the National Transportation Safety Board Amendments Act of 1999.

## Joint Meetings

### APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

*Conferees* continued in evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1906, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1999

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Senate Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine national security requirements and continued training operations at the Vieques Training Range, 10 a.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the Department of Justice's handling of the Charlie Trie case, relating to the campaign finance investigation, 10 a.m., SD-628.